

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The invention is directed to lachrymal plugs, and methods for setting lachrymal plugs. Such a lachrymal plug is designed to be inserted in the lachrymal canaliculi. The plug can optionally be provided with an axial duct. The duct includes, on its outer walls, flexible elements that are foldable on the walls to enable the plug to be inserted in the lachrymal duct and to straighten up once the lachrymal plug is set, so as to maintain the latter in position. Thus, the present invention can control the flow of tears running from the surface of the eye towards the nasal cavity. The instant abstract is neither intended to define the invention disclosed in this specification nor intended to limit the scope of the invention in any way.